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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO WESTERN DIVISION

Stephen M. Lester, Case No. 3:09 CV 1785

Petitioner, MEMORANDUM OPINION

AND ORDER

-vs-

JUDGE JACK ZOUHARY

Robert Welch,

Respondent.

Petitioner Stephen Lester, a prisoner in state custody, filed a Petition for a Writ of Habeas Corpus (Doc. No. 1). The case was referred to United States Magistrate Judge Nancy Vecchiarelli for a Report and Recommendation (R&R) pursuant to Local Rule 72.2(b)(2).

The Magistrate Judge filed the R&R on May 27, 2010 (Doc. No. 19). Under 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(C):

Within ten days after being served with a copy, any party may serve and file written objections to such proposed findings and recommendations as provided by rules of court. A judge of the court shall make a de novo determination of those portions of the report or specified proposed findings or recommendations to which objection is made.

The ten-day period has elapsed and no objections have been filed. The failure to file written objections constitutes a waiver of a *de novo* determination by the district court of an issue covered in the report. *United States v. Sullivan*, 431 F.3d 976, 984 (2005).

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The Court has reviewed the R&R, and having found it legally and factually accurate, adopts the R&R in its entirety. Therefore, the Court denies the Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (Doc. No. 1).

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/ Jack Zouhary JACK ZOUHARY U. S. DISTRICT JUDGE

July 21, 2010